

## **Rule 375-5-2-.18. Insurance and Safety Requirements**

(1) Every vehicle used by a school driver training program for the purpose of driver training must be registered with the Department, and a Department-issued Vehicle Registration Card, ~~issued by the Department,~~ must be displayed conspicuously inside the vehicle at all times.

(a) Vehicles used for actual behind the wheel instruction on public roadways or highways shall be twelve (12) years old or less or have a mileage limit of 300,000, whichever comes first.

(b) Vehicles used for multiple vehicle driving range instruction or for other purposes shall be thirteen (13) years old or less or have a mileage limit of 325,000, whichever comes first. The Vehicle Registration Card issued for such vehicles shall be marked clearly with the statement "Multiple Vehicle Range Use Only." Such vehicles shall not be used for actual behind the wheel instruction on public roadways or highways.

~~(c) Vehicles already registered with the Department prior to July 1, 2010 may continue to be used for twelve (12) or thirteen (13) years as provided in Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection. Vehicles registered with the Department on or after July 1, 2010 may be used for the periods set forth in Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection.~~

~~(d)~~ Any vehicle used for driver training in any manner shall be equipped with operational safety belts.

(2)

(a) Any vehicle purchased for ~~use in the purpose of driver instruction training~~ shall be inspected by the Department prior to use. In lieu of initially inspecting any vehicle bought as "new" from a licensed dealer and having less than 10,000 miles recorded on the odometer, the Department may accept a certification from said dealer that the vehicle satisfies the Department's inspection standards.

(b) Following the initial inspection, the Department shall inspect each vehicle used for driver training on an annual basis.

(c) No Vehicle Registration Card shall be issued for any vehicle that does not successfully pass said inspection.

(3) A vehicle whose years of service and/or mileage limit exceed(s) the standards set forth in (a) and/or (b) of paragraph (1) of this Chapter may continue to be used for the purpose of driver training provided the following criteria are met:

(a) Said vehicle was previously certified by the Department and has remained continuously certified thereafter; and,

(b) Said vehicle is inspected annually by a mechanic certified by Automotive Service Excellence and meets the safety criteria established by the Department. The inspection shall be documented on a form provided by the Department.

(4) No vehicle shall be initially certified by the Department whose years of service and/or mileage limit exceed(s) the standards set forth in (a) and/or (b) of Paragraph (1) of this Chapter.

## **SYNOPSIS**

### **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND MAIN FEATURES OF PROPOSED RULE**

The purpose of this amendment is to allow driver training programs to continue using driver training vehicles beyond the specified age and/or mileage limits, on a year-to-year basis, provided they pass an annual inspection performed by a mechanic certified by Automotive Service Excellence.

### **DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EXISTING AND PROPOSED RULES**

The proposed rule eliminates a redundant clause and provides guidelines under which driver training programs may continue to use driver training vehicles beyond the specified age and/or mileage limits previously established by this rule.